

**\$7,650,000 IS SOUGHT****FOR N. Y. WATERWAYS**

A recommendation for the expenditure of \$7,650,000 on river and harbor improvements in the first and second New York districts, was made today by the United States army chief of engineers in his annual report. He recommended new appropriations of \$3,850,000 to permit this work, the remainder to come from funds available. The principle item in new appropriations was \$2,200,000 for deepening to thirty-five feet the channel of the East river through to Hell Gate and the removal of Shell Reef.

**GOLDSTEIN FAVORED FOR****ST. LOUIS POSTMASTERSHIP**

While Nat Goldstein is regarded favorably by the Republican leaders for the postmastership of St. Louis, Senator Spencer said today that Goldstein would have to take his chances with the rest of the applicants for the job.

**CLAIM ONLY ONE PER CENT****OF BOOTLEG IS REAL LIQUOR**

Only 1 per cent of the alcoholic liquor sold by bootleggers at the present time is real whiskey. This was the latest pronouncement of prohibition officials today, on the strength of analyses made by Government chemists. Whiskey withdrawals from bond have been so sharply cut that only a negligible quantity of the real stuff is getting into bootleg hands, they said.

**MAN BEATS WIFE WHO****REFUSES TO READ BIBLE**

BOSTON, Dec. 16.—Because his wife refused to get out of bed at 2 o'clock in the morning and read a chapter from the Bible, John Weeks, thirty-three, beat her until her cries attracted the attention of Special Officer Higgins and Patrolman Hurst and Portin, who arrested Weeks on a charge of assault and battery.



# Society

by JEAN ELIOT

**THE PRESIDENT AND MRS.**

HARDING was hosts last night at the first of the series of state dinners, which will be so important a feature of the White House winter calendar. They entertained for their official family, with the Vice President and Mrs. Coolidge, who may be counted as honorary members of the Cabinet, as the ranking guests.

The company assembled in the blue room, where the President and Mrs. Harding joined them, and dinner was served at one great rectangular table in the state dining room. Here flaming autumn leaves were arranged against the dark oak paneling and the table was decked with poinsettias, stelia and maiden-hair fern. With the great scarlet blossoms, so suggestive of the approaching Christmas season, the famous Dolly Madison gold service was used, with lighted tapers in tall, golden candelabra and epergnes filled with fruit set about among the flowers.

The stately simplicity of all the state drawing rooms was enhanced by the autumn leaves and flowers, roses predominating, which formed the decorations. And the state stairway, which could be glimpsed from the green room, was gay with potted plants, poinsettias again striking a gay note of color which was repeated in the scarlet coats of the Marine Band stationed in the corridor. Mrs. Harding herself superintended the arranging of the flowers for all White House entertaining, which show the touch of an artist hand.

THE gracious Mistress of the White House, at her best last evening, wearing a gown which she had designed herself. It was fashioned of heavy soft black satin, which had almost the sheen of chiffon velvet, on the gracefully draped lines which Mrs. Harding affects, and long strands of brilliant, falling from one shoulder and caught at the waist line by a jeweled ornament, provided the only garniture. The flowing sleeves were of chiffon, with lines of brilliant giving the effect of rain; and there was a narrow panel train bloused to fit the waist line. Mrs. Harding had diamond pins in her beautifully dressed hair and she wore a handsome diamond pendant in addition to the black velvet band with its diamond side which she always wears about her throat.

After the dinner a program of music and recitations was given in the East Room by Miss Mary Jordan and Miss Katherine Dayton, with Lee Cronican and Miss Anne Tindale at the piano.

The guests were the Vice President and Mrs. Coolidge, the Secretary of State and Mrs. Hughes, the Secretary of the Treasury and Miss Alice Mellon, the Secretary of War and Mrs. Weeks, the Attorney General Harry M. Daugherty, the Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Denby, the Secretary of Agriculture and Mrs. Wallace, the Secretary of Commerce and Mrs. Hoover, the Secretary of Labor and Mrs. Davis, Senator and Mrs. Truman H. Lenroot, Senator and Mrs. Lawrence C. Phipps, Senator and Mrs. Coleman du Pont, Gen. John J. Pershing, Congressman C. Bascom Slamp, Congressman and Mrs. Samuel E. Winslow, Congressman Joseph G. Cannon and Miss Helen Cannon, Congressman and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth, the Secretary to the President and Mrs. George P. Christian, Mrs. Eugene Hale, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Strauss, Mrs. J. G. Battelle, Mrs. James C. Frazier, Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Glover, Mrs. Frederick Dent Grant, Chandler Hale, Bishop John W. Hamilton, Miss Laura Harlan, Commander and Mrs. R. S. Holmes, Charles P. Kling, Miss Paten, Mr. and Mrs. William McC. Ritter, Col. and Mrs. Clarence O. Sherrill and Mr. and Mrs. William Boyce Thompson.

TODAY will be marked with a gold star by the "buds." Four debutantes, a record for even pre-conference times, are making their first little bow to society today.

Two of today's debutantes are sisters, Miss Marcia and Miss Constance Foss, the twin daughters of former Congressman and Mrs. George Edmund Foss. Miss Florence Elizabeth Cline, daughter of Major and Mrs. Walter Cline, is the third "bud," and the fourth is Miss Isabelle Crawford.

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MISS FLORENCE ELIZABETH CLINE will be presented at a tea this afternoon by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cline, in their apartment at the Kenesaw.

Miss Cline will wear white satin and silver lace. Her frock is made with a close-fitting bodice and hoop skirt, and is cut with the popular "off-the-shoulder" line and the hoops fall over a longer under-petticoat of lace. She will carry a colonial bouquet of sweetheart roses, lilies of the valley, and forget-me-nots.

MISS ISABELLE CRAWFORD will be presented to society by her uncle and aunt, Senator and Mrs. Arthur Capper, at a dance this evening at Rauschers. The party promises to be one of the jolliest and most attractive of the "bud" affairs. There will be about seven hundred guests, including all of this year's debutantes, and the young crowd.

MISS CRAWFORD is planning to wear a charming frock of rose point lace over white satin. The gown is made on simple lines, with the lace falling straight to the edge of the skirt and draping the bodice. The neck line is edged with rhinestones. She will carry a bouquet sent by Mrs. Harding from the White House.

Mrs. Capper will wear a white georgette, heavily encrusted with iridescent sequins. She will be assisted by Mrs. Harry New, Mrs. Joseph Freilich, Mrs. Frank Kellogg, Mrs. Ira Copely, Mrs. Charles C. McDermott, Mrs. John Allen Daugherty, Mrs. E. E. Gann, Mrs. Joseph Hampson, Mrs. Thomas F. Walsh, Mrs. Enoch Chase, Mrs. James Kerrick, Mrs. D. R. Anthony, P. G. George, and Mrs. Phil Campbell.

Mrs. George M. Crawford, of New York, mother of the debutante, is here until after Christmas. There will be a number of dinner parties given before the ball, among them being a dinner of ten, which Miss Laura Lejeune, daughter of Maj. Gen. and Mrs. John A. Lejeune, will give at the Marine Barracks.

Mr. and Mrs. George Julian Zolney will entertain at dinner for their debutante daughter, Miss Elizabeth Zolney. Among their guests will be Miss Mary Palmer, Miss Mary Montgomery, Miss Rosemary Kennedy, Miss Margaret Zolney, Marcel Colas, Comdr. John Creighton, U. S. N.; Comdr. Calvert Cary, U. S. N.; Major Xenophon H. Price, U. S. A.; Lieut. Henry McCown, U. S. A.; and Capt. Lemuel Shepherd, U. S. A.

Miss Ruth Donaldson will also be hosted at dinner, taking her guests later to the ball.

Mrs. Harding will be present this afternoon at the lecture to be given by Thornton Burgess, the well-known writer of children's stories, at the

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Scouts of the District of Columbia will honor the President of the national organization.

The speaker will be introduced by Mr. Powell Clayton, District girl scout commissioner.

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Mrs. Coolidge was the guest of honor at luncheon today of Mrs. Thomas F. Walsh. There were thirty-six guests, among them the wives of some of the Cabinet officers and some of the foreign visitors now in town.

Mrs. Walsh will entertain at dinner on December 22 for the Minister of China and Mme. Sze.

The Belgian Ambassador and Baroness de Cartier entertained a small company at dinner last evening at the embassy.

The Argentine Ambassador and Mme. Le Breton entertained at last yesterday afternoon for the Ambassador to Argentina and Mrs. John W. Riddle.

Mrs. Charles C. Wetmore will entertain twelve guests at dinner this evening at her home. The Mr. and Mrs. Henry Price Wright are giving.

The Minister of Switzerland and Mme. Peter will be the guests of honor this evening at dinner at the Mr. and Mrs. Henry Price Wright are giving.

The Rumanian Minister and Princess Bibesco entertained at dinner last evening in honor of Mr. H. G. Wells. Bibesco will not receive until the second Friday in January.

The Norwegian Minister and Mme. Bryn entertained at dinner yesterday in honor of Mr. L. Aubert, Norwegian consul general at Montreal.

The Italian Minister Plenipotentiary and Mme. Quattrone entertained at dinner last night in honor of Senator Schanzer and Senator Albertini of the Italian delegation. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. George Sutherland, Commander Filote, Dr. Florio, Mr. Albertini, jr., Marquis Visconti Venosta.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Noyes will entertain at a dinner dance this evening at their home in Vermont avenue for their daughter, Mrs. Thomas Blagden, who is recently back from China. The guests will number eighty-five.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hart, of New York, their son-in-law and daughter, will arrive today in time for the dinner, to spend two weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Noyes.

Prince and Princess Michael Cantacuzene will arrive shortly to spend Christmas with their grandmother Mrs. Frederick Dent Grant, and Princess Cantacuzene, their parents, who are also with Mrs. Grant.

Mrs. Grant will entertain at dinner on December 26 for Prince and Princess Cantacuzene and Princess Bertha Cantacuzene.

Miss Margaret Crosson will entertain at dinner this evening for Miss Drayn and her fiancé, Clarence Kemp Hill, and the members of their bridal party preceding the rehearsal for the wedding.

Col. and Mrs. James A. Drain and Miss Virginia Drain have returned from New York where they went on Tuesday to attend the farewell dinner given for Marshal Foch.

Senator and Mrs. Truman H. Newberry left town this afternoon for their home in Detroit to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Joerissen entertained at dinner last evening for William M. Sharp, former American Ambassador to France, and Mrs. Sharp, who are visiting in Washington.

Miss Grace Vanderbilt came down from New York yesterday and joined her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, jr., at their apartment at Wardman Park Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Edson Bradley have as their guests for over the week-end Dr. and Mrs. Preston Pope Sartawhite and Mr. and Mrs. J. Lowell Putnam, of New York. Mr. and Mrs. Bradley will entertain at dinner this evening and will give a luncheon on Sunday in their honor. Mrs. Bradley will go to New York next week to spend the holidays.

Washington Opera Ball.  
Write down Washington's first "opera ball" dance is to become an annual event—as a huge success. Given last evening at the Willard under the auspices of the Washington Opera Company, it brought together a company which would have done credit to a smart private party and it was quite the prettiest ball of the present season.

For a time the function had quite the atmosphere of "vamping day" at some important exhibition, the guests promenading up and down the ball room instead of dancing, pausing to chat in animated canvases and to admire the lovely "canvases" with which the walls were "hung." By the time the late arrivals came in, however, the dancing, to the strains of ravishing music, was in full swing, and continued until the wee small hours.

of the minister of Sweden and Mme. Weilenberg, which was draped with the Swedish flag.

Mrs. Charles H. Campbell, attended as a Colonial lady, unveiled the portraits—the lovely "Countess Patoka, of Gram, posed by Miss Margaret Deske; Romney's "Mrs. Mary Curtis, by Miss Anna Montgomery; "Louise de France," of Nattier, by Miss Rosalind Wright; Greuze's lovely "La Laitiere," by Miss Frances Clark and the rest. The girls remained in their frames for an hour or more, sometimes keeping the pose of the artist, sometimes chatting with their friends, but always adding to the picturesque effect.

The guests were received by Mme. Wallenberg, Mrs. Mahlon Pitney, Mrs. Charles Henry Butler, Mrs. George W. Ehle, Mrs. William Eric Fowler, Mrs. Mitchell Carroll, Mrs. J. Townsend Russell, Mrs. Harvey W. Wiley, and Mrs. George Oakley Totten.

Introductions were made by Edward Albon, director of the Washington Opera Company, alternating with Major George Oakley Totten, jr.

Some very smart gowns were worn, notably Mrs. Pitney's draped gray and silver brocade, and the lovely costumes.

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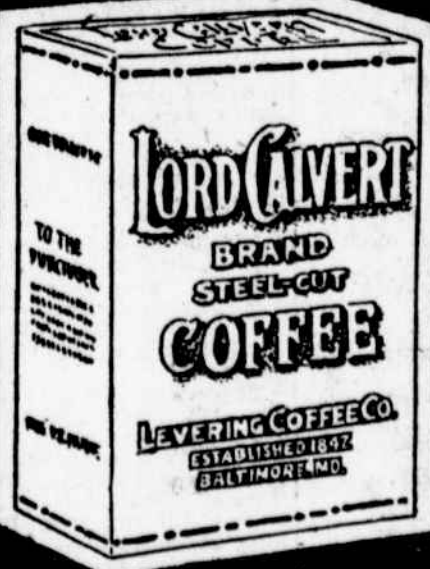
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